

# Legislators Resume Talk About Governor's Budget

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The battles over state fiscal problems which scrambled the final hours of the recently adjourned 1963 Legislature have, understandably enough, been carried over into the current special session. Everyone is watching with interest to learn whether the lines drawn up for the earlier combats will hold firm in this meeting. The outcome of our deliberations will to a large extent depend on this one factor.

The three basic questions put before us for consideration are tax revision, budget increases, and state school support. Legislation relating to all of them was either lost, or badly mangled in the regular session.

The major elements in the governor's tax revision pro-

gram were putting the personal income tax on a withholding basis, eliminating this tax on the lowest incomes, revising the bank and corporation tax to make payments current, and changing the insurance company tax for the same purpose. As originally introduced, these and some minor modifications in other taxes, would have increased estimated revenues by \$160 million in this fiscal year, \$150 million in the following.

THE BILLS embodying this program successfully survived Assembly action, and came out of Senate committees without much damage. However, when the lead-off bill on bank and corporation taxes failed to get the needed two-thirds vote on the Senate floor on a second

try, the remainder of the program was abandoned.

As an immediate result, the budget bill, the total of which was still close to the \$3.25 billion originally requested, was cut back substantially, to \$3.14 billion. Independently, but still linked to the fiscal situation, the school support bill passed the two houses in different versions. It died when the Assembly rejected the Senate draft.

WITH THIS history fresh in our minds, we are now considering possible solutions for the problems in these three areas. Bills relating to all of them have been introduced. Others are still being dropped in the hopper. The appropriate committees will have no easy task in weighing the various alternatives and arriving at quick answers.

# Burglars Keep Busy in City Over Weekend

Burglars were busy throughout the city over the weekend, according to reports filed with the Torrance Police Department.

Mrs. Jane Knepel of 23028 Arlington Ave., told officers her apartment was ransacked while she was moving into another. Neighbors reported seeing someone leave with an armload of articles, but Mrs. Knepel was not able to make an immediate determination of her losses.

Daniel Zampino reported a loss of \$70 in cash and a number of cigarettes from a market at 18182 Prairie Ave. early Sunday, and operators of a meat market in the same building reported the loss of about \$100 which had been put in the meat cooler overnight.

OFFICERS WERE sent to the store after a passing deputy sheriff heard the burglar alarm ringing. Early investigation indicated that no entry had been made, but Zampino and meat

market personnel reported the thefts.

Bill Tucker, 3818 W. 187th St., told officers someone took a lawn trimmer from his garage Sunday while he was working in the yard nearby. Tucker said he had seen the trimmer in the garage while working on his lawn just before noon Sunday, but when he returned to pick it up, it was gone.

FRANKLIN M. Arrington of Las Vegas told officers he had been working on his motorcycle in a garage at 2828 W. Artesia Blvd., and returned Sunday to discover all but the cycle's engine had been stolen.

Edward Lopresto, a Gardena resident, complained to police that someone had entered a garage at 16933 Yukon Ave., where he had material stored and taken hand tools with a value of approximately \$40.

NEIGHBORS reported that burglars had entered the home of William Earl Crowner, 1017 Hickory Ave., while the Crowner family was on vacation. Police checking the home found evidence that someone had entered through a broken rear window and apparently helped themselves to a snack in the kitchen. Determination of other losses were pending the return of the victims this week.

er salaries in the formula for allocation of funds to school districts, will also affect the result on that matter.

OBSERVERS have pointed out that the action of the Governor, in slashing an additional \$9.4 million in individual items from the budget before signing it, will have a powerful effect on legislation which is finally enacted at this session. They direct attention to two facts. First, the special session was called to convene before the end of the bill-signing period for the regular session on July 26. Unsigned bills can therefore still be used to coerce votes in our current meeting. Second, is the fact that 18 of the 20 items cut by gubernatorial action relate to projects located in districts of Senators or Assemblymen who voted in opposition to the defeated tax bill.

Only one thing about this current session is certain right now. It will provide a climax to one of the most unusual legislative years California has experienced in a generation. People from all over the state will be interested and concerned by our accomplishments.



HOSPITAL FIRST . . . Margaret Jilbert, surgical nurse of Riviera Community Hospital and Robert W. Lyons, administrator, examine the newly-delivered dual-trace cardioscope recently purchased by the hospital. The new unit which permits the simultaneous monitoring of two patients for a physiological function, or of two functions for one patient, is the first to be installed in an area hospital.

## Obituaries

### EDNA E. HILL

Funeral services for Edna Elizabeth Hill, 41, of 1638 Elm St., will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the Stone and Myers Chapel. The Rev. W. Kornegay will officiate.

Mrs. Hill was employed by the Hughes Aircraft Co. She died at a Torrance hospital Tuesday. She had lived in Torrance for 19 years.

Surviving are her husband, Clyde; a daughter, Mrs. Margaretta Graham of Huntington Beach; sons Clyde and Tommy, both of Torrance; her mother, Mrs. Inez Darby of Lomita; two brothers; and two grandchildren.

Interment will be in Green Hills Memorial Park.

### DOLLIE BOHANNON

Funeral services for Dollie Julietta Bohannon, 78, of 21427 S. Vermont Ave., were held Wednesday afternoon at the Stone and Myers Chapel. The Rev. O. F. Anderson officiated.

A resident of Torrance for 16 years, Mrs. Bohannon died Sunday.

She is survived by her sons, Floyd W. of Wilmington, and Herman E. Rosson of Oklahoma; a daughter, Violet Kauble of Torrance; and 11 grandchildren.

## Riviera Community Hospital Installs Birtcher Cardioscope

Installation of a new dual trace Birtcher cardioscope at Riviera Community Hospital has been announced by Gene Voorhees, chairman of the board of directors.

The new unit was purchased for use in the hospital operating suite. It permits the simultaneous display on a visual 5-inch screen of two physiological activities or of the monitoring of a physiological activity of two patients at once.

FOR INSTANCE it could monitor the cardiac function of a patient and at the same time carry out the monitoring functions for an electro-encephalographic (brain wave) study.

Other functions that can be monitored with the addition of the necessary sensing devices include pulse, respiration, blood pressure, and varying temperatures.

In addition the unit can be adapted to use in an intensive care unit where a nurse or doctor at a central station could read dual physiological studies on as many as ten patients by use of a remote selector switch.

In this manner a trained individual could keep close observation of up to 10 patients for various physiological functions during the critical or intense period of their illness.

ROBERT W. LYONS, Riviera Community Hospital administrator, said that addition of the dual-trace cardioscope is another step in a planned program to keep Riviera Community Hospital abreast of all modern life-saving equipment.

The dual-trace cardioscope now is functioning in the hospital's operating suite and has already been instrumental in providing the additional information necessary to permit surgeons to take necessary action in critical operations, stated Lyons.

Riviera Community Hospital is a 96-bed, non-profit, general voluntary community hospital, serving the entire South Bay area.

Cub Pack 755-C  
 The monthly meeting of Cub Pack 755-C, sponsored by the 223rd Street School PTA, was opened with a flag salute conducted by Den 5.

Den 6 was presented with a pennant for the most parents present and Den 5, with the assistance of den mother Mrs. Paul Danford, performed a skit.

Robert Elliot presented awards to the following boys: Raymond Blair, four silver arrows; Billy Lehman, lion badge and one gold arrow; Steven Elliot, two-year pin; Phillip Galloway, two-year pin; and Rodney Wilson, one-year pin.

GILBERT TRUNKET, wolf badge and gold arrow; Bill Tracy, bear badge; Michael Bradbury, bobcat pin; Kenny Carrell, one silver arrow; and John Carmen, bear badge.

Cub of the month award was presented to Billy Lehman as the most outstanding cub during the month of June.

Recent pack activities included an outing to Jangleland in Thousand Oaks and roller skating at the Torrance Roller Drome.

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